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1. This communication is responsive to <u>BPAI decision 4/30/07</u>	<u>7</u> .			
2. ☑ The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>7-13</u> .				
Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a				
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EXAMINER'S STATEMENT FOR REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims 7-13 are allowed. See BPAI decision on 4/30/07. Although the BPAI has reversed the Examiner's rejection, Examiner believes the inclusion of inputs/outputs on both sides of an AWG are common in the art. Examples of such include add/drop MUX/DEMUX type devices (US 20010028757).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Eric Wong whose telephone number is 571-272-2363. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 830AM - 430PM.

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